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Advisory Announcement

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SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON PURSE SEINE FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

District 1

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 25, 2021:

Section 1-F: will be open south and **east of a line from California Head at 55°19.58' N lat, 131°29.05' W long to Spire Island Light at 55°16.05' N lat, 131°29.95' W long to a point on the western shore of Gravina Island at 55°14.91' N lat (the latitude of the northernmost tip of Cone Point) then due west to the District 2 boundary with the following restrictions:**

Boca de Quadra: will be closed south and east of a line from Foggy Point Light at 54°55.45′ N lat, 130°58.65′ W long to Black Rock Light at 55°01.40′ N lat, 131°03.55′ W long to the southernmost tip of Black Island at 55°07.91′ N lat, 131°04.85′ W long then due east to the mainland shore;

Nichols Passage: will be closed north of the latitude of the southernmost tip of Dall Head at 55°07.74′ N lat;

Carroll Inlet: will be closed north of the latitude of California Head at 55°19.58' N lat;

Thorne Arm: will be closed north and east of a line from the southernmost tip of Moth Point at 55°15.92′ N lat, 131°19.69′ W long to the northernmost tip of Cone Point at 55°14.91′ N lat, 131°19.04′ W long.

District 1

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m., Sunday, July 25, through 8:00 p.m., Monday, July 26, 2021:

Section 1-F: will be open south of a line from the northernmost tip of Cone Point at 55°14.91′ N lat, 131°19.04′ W long to the northernmost tip of Harbor Point at 55°13.04′ N lat, 131°25.17′ W long to a point on the western shore of Gravina Island at 55°14.91′ N lat (the latitude of the northernmost tip of Cone Point), then due west to the District 2 boundary with the following restrictions:

Boca de Quadra: will be closed east of a line from Foggy Point Light at 54°55.45′ N lat, 130°58.65′ W long to Black Rock Light at 55°01.40′ N lat, 131°03.55′ W long to the southernmost tip of Black Island at 55°07.91′ N lat, 131°04.85′ W long then due east to the mainland shore;

Nichols Passage: will be closed north of the latitude of the southernmost tip of Dall Head at 55°07.74′ N lat.

District 2

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m., Sunday, July 25, though 8:00 p.m., Monday, July 26, 2021:

District 2: will be open south of the latitude of the northernmost tip of Windy Point at 55°13.10′ N lat with the following restrictions:

Cholmondeley Sound and contiguous waters: all waters will be closed;

<u>Moira Sound</u>: will be closed west of the longitude of the easternmost entrance of Menefee Anchorage at 132°00.35′ W long.

District 3

The following areas will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m., Sunday, July 25, though 8:00 p.m., Monday, July 26, 2021:

Section 3-A: will be open south of the latitude of the northernmost tip of Webster Point at 54°58.28′ N lat with the following restrictions:

<u>Dall Island Shore</u>: will be closed west of a line from the southernmost tip of Reef Point at 55°03.62′ N lat, 132°58.33′ W long, to Shoe Island Light at 54°57.10′ N lat, 132°44.78′ W long, to the westernmost tip of Datzkoo Point at 54°43.80′ N lat, 132°41.83′ W long;

Klakas Inlet, Hunter Bay, and contiguous waters: will be closed in all waters north and east of a line running from a point near Ruth Cutoff located at 54°54.40′ N lat, 132°24.77′ W long to the southernmost tip of Klakas Island at 54°53.25′ N lat, 132°20.35′ W long to a point at 54°49.68′ N lat, 132°20.50′ W long;

<u>Kassa Inlet</u>: will be closed east of the longitude of Kassa Point at 132°31.62′ W long.

Section 3-B: will be open west of a line from Cape Lynch at 55°46.87′ N lat, 133°42.10′ W long to the northernmost tip of Point Animas at 55°32.06′ N lat, 133°27.37′ W long to the southwesternmost tip of Point Arboleda at 55°19.10′ N lat, 133°27.81′ W long with the following restriction:

<u>Port Asumcion:</u> will be closed north and west of a line from Point Cosinas at 55°21.80′ N lat, 133°30.64′ W long to a point west of Point Maria located at 55°22.04′ N lat, 133°30.26′ W long.

District 4

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m., Sunday, July 25, through 8:00 p.m., Monday, July 26, 2021:

District 4: will be open.

District 7

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 25, 2021:

Section 7-B: will be open east of a line from a point on the southern shore of Etolin Island located at 55°55.25′ N lat, 132°14.96′ W long to Union Point at 55°48.18′ N lat, 132°11.13′ W long.

District 10

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Monday, July 26, 2021:

District 10: will be open within 3.0 nautical miles (nmi) of the Admiralty Island shoreline south of the latitude of Gambier Island Light at 57°26.13′ N lat with the following restrictions:

Gambier Bay: will be closed north of the latitude of Gambier Island Light at 57°26.13' N lat;

Snug Cove: all waters will be closed;

Pybus Bay: will be closed north of the latitude of Point Pybus at 57°18.43′ N lat.

District 12

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 25, 2021:

Section 12-A: will be open in the following areas:

Point Augusta: will be open within 0.5 nmi of the Chichagof Island shoreline east of a line from a marker at 58°02.44′ N lat, 134°57.50′ W long to a point at 58°03.00′ N lat, 134°57.85′ W long, south of 58°03.00′ N lat, and north of the latitude of a regulatory marker at 58°01.63′ N lat (located 1.0 nmi south of Point Augusta Light);

Admiralty Island shoreline: will be open within 1.0 nmi of the Admiralty Island shoreline south of Point Marsden at 58°03.40′ N lat, and north of Point Hepburn at 57°56.21′ N lat.

District 13

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Monday, July 26.

Section 13-A: will be open in the following areas:

Portlock Harbor, Ogden Passage, Smooth Channel, Khaz Bay, Lake Anna, Sisters Lake, and Slocum Arm: will be open east of a line from Khaz Point at 57°30.15′ N lat, 136°01.33′ W long to Ninefoot Shoal Light at 57°34.83′ N lat, 136°05.82′ W long to the southernmost tip of Herbert Graves Island at 57°38.40′ N lat, 136°10.89′ W long to the southernmost tip of Point Hogan at 57°41.38′ N lat, 136°15.81′ W long to the light located on the southernmost tip of Hill Island at 57°43.67′ N lat, 136°16.57′ W long to a point on the Chichagof Island shoreline at 57°46.13′ N lat, 136°16.81′ W long with the following restrictions:

Slocum Arm: will be closed south and east of 135°56.28′ W long;

Klag Bay, Lake Anna, and Sisters Lake: will be closed north and east of a line from 57°36.93′ N lat, 136°06.42′ W long to 57°36.74′ N lat, 136°05.78′ W long;

Ford Arm: will be closed east of 136°00.03′ W long.

Lisianski Inlet: will be open south of a line from the northernmost tip of Soapstone Point at 58°06.33′ N lat, 136°29.86′ W long to the westernmost tip of Column Point at 58°07.21′ N lat, 136°26.88′ W long, and north of 57°58.09′ N lat with the following restriction:

Lisianski Strait: will be closed south of 58°00.16' N lat.

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 25 and from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Monday, July 26, 2021:

Section 13-B: Redoubt Bay, Kanga Bay, and contiguous waters will be open east of 135°22.76' W long.

District 14

The following areas will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 25, 2021:

Section 14-B: will be open south of the latitude of Crist Point at 58°10.27′ N lat;

Section 14-C: will be open within 1.0 nmi of the Chichagof Island shoreline west of a line from Neck Point at 58°07.07′ N lat, 135°19.24′ W long, to Spasski Island at 58°07.99′ N lat, 135°16.35′ W long.

<u>Chinook Salmon Landing Restrictions</u>: All Chinook salmon harvested in the Deep Inlet Terminal Harvest Area (THA) must be retained and may be sold. For all other fishing areas, Chinook salmon 28 inches or greater in length may NOT be retained and Chinook salmon less than 28 inches may be retained but not sold. These restrictions will be in effect until at least July 31, 2021.

Fishermen, tenders, and processors are reminded that all salmon, including steelhead, commercially harvested but retained for personal use and not sold, must be reported on fish tickets at the time of delivery.

Fishermen are reminded that the Kendrick Bay THA, which includes those waters of Kendrick Bay west of 131°59.00′ W long, and the waters of McLean Arm west of 131°57.80′ W long, will reopen to common property harvest beginning at 12:01 a.m., Sunday, July 25, 2021.

To date, 1,005 sockeye salmon have been counted at the Hugh Smith Lake weir. The current weir count projects to a total escapement of 4,700 sockeye salmon, below the optimal escapement goal range of 8,000–18,000 sockeye salmon. The department will continue to monitor the sockeye salmon escapement as the season progresses and will take management actions in District 1 through statistical week 33.

The next seine announcement will be issued on Tuesday, July 27, 2021.

Under Alaska's Health Advisories 1, 2, 3, and 4, commercial fishing is an Essential Business and is part of Alaska's Essential Services and Critical Infrastructure. Commercial fishermen should ensure that all travel and other activities in support of commercial fishing operations follow protocols in Alaska COVID-19 Health Advisories. COVID-19 Health Advisories may be found here: https://covid19.alaska.gov/health-advisories/.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1S3321.

Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Harvest Estimates Statistical Midweek 30

Preliminary Estimates Compiled July 23, 2021

Area	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	Boats
District 1	0	2,700	2,500	430,000	14,000	449,200	73
District 2	0	800	900	85,000	20,000	106,700	14
District 3	0	150	100	1,000	3,900	5,150	5
District 4	0	20,000	6,500	210,000	8,300	244,800	22
Point Augusta	0	700	250	38,000	900	39,850	8
Port Frederick	0	450	250	71,000	850	72,550	10
Hawk Inlet Shoreline	0	1,800	400	95,000	2,100	99,300	13
Total	0	23,650	10,900	930,000	50,050	805,850	170

	FISH PER BOAT						
Area	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	
District 1	0	37	34	5,890	192	6,153	
District 2	0	57	64	6,071	1,429	7,621	
District 3	0	30	20	200	780	1,030	
District 4	0	909	295	9,545	377	11,127	
Point Augusta	0	88	31	4,750	113	4,981	
Port Frederick	0	45	25	7,100	85	7,255	
Hawk Inlet Shoreline	0	138	31	7,308	162	7,638	

Section 13-B, Southeast Cove and Thomas Bay THAs: Confidential.

Deep Inlet THA harvest to date: 2,700 Chinook and 60,100 chum salmon.

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